

Rainwater. Come right in an take a Me an Jim wux jist a wonderin what had become of ye. Ye hain't been ever in such a spell. But law, the short days hit jist looks like a body can't do ndthin cep'n cook an eat. How air ye comin on, Sister Rainwater? asked Martha as she opened the door in response to a loud knock, and discovered Mrs. Rainwater.

"Oh, I'm well as common. Marthy, all except my jints swells turrible such weather as this, but I manage to slap up and git aroun. No, don't git me no cheer, fer I hain't much time to set this mornin, fer I'm out solicitin, ar I come to see what you uns is a goin to give tords gittin Alice Roosevelt a weddin present. Ye see her and Nich-

Not nary cent; not nary red cent de ye get outer the Bosley family to git Alice a weddin present," declared Jim emphatically as he took his tobacco from his mouth and almost ex-tinguished the fire with a copious discharge of tobacco juice.

"Why, Jim, ye ort ter be ashamed of yerself to speak so jerky to Sister Rainwater; an I'd like to know why ye ain't willin to give nothing tords git-tin Alice a present. Why, she's the president's darter," said Marthy apolo-getically, while Mrs. Rainwater looked at Jim from over her glasses.

"Don't keer whose drater she is. I done tole ye Jim Bosley don't chip in to git no rich folks presents when pore folks is a sufferin on every hand." said Jim.

"Law, Jim, I ain't astin ye to give but a dime," said the old lady.
"Don't keer; I done tole ye I ain't

goin to give nary nickel."

Now, if ye wuz takin up a collection to git ole Sister Lattimer and her young uns some wood an warm clothes an some vittles, which they needs, au needs bad, I'd give ye five dollars plum willin, an that's what ye ort to be doin instid of runnin aroun here in this weather tryin to raise a collection fer Alice Roosevelt, who, I hearn tell, has got a big fortune in her own name Her daddy is rich, and she's a gion to marry a rich duck, besides. Then what in the name of common sense does folks want to make fools outer theirselves fer an chip in to git her a present. Sich Tom foolery as that makes me tired, an I tell ye again, I ain't ready yi. to jine the army of snobs an toadys what is alius a runnin arter them what has got somethin. I don't kinsider Alice Rosefelt an the feller she's a lowing to marry any thing but plain human beins like me an you, an don't see no use in the hull blamed country a runnin plum hog wild jist bekase two human critters like Alice and Nicholas made up their minds to git married. Let 'em git married if they wants to, but don't be asting me to chip in to git 'em no weddin pres-I got other use fer my dimes."

Jim, having delievered himself of this Democratic speech, now resumed his

"Law, Jim, ye're jist like Jeems Rainwater. I ain't never seed him no madder since the time when he sot down on that piece of blackberry pie put in the cheer by them twenses jast summer at the barbecue. Jist as he wuz gittin ready to speak his big speech—than he wux this mornin when I tole him as how I had seed in the paper that some folks out

"Oregon has started a subscription to et Alice a weddin' present and wur wantin a dime from everybody in the hull country, and beins as sow me and him wuz the leadin folks in this settlemint I wuz willin to start out and solieit fer dimes aroun Wills's Point, and bless yer life, instid of him a thankin of me fer being so obleegin, he got turrible riled and sex he, a grittin of his teeth. "That ye go agin, actin the fool. What in the Sam Hill do ye want to be a gaddin aroun over the contry astin folks to give money to git a rich woman a weddin present fer?"

"Becase she is the president's darter. an I want to show her the proper re-

\*pectiveness," sex I .

"Respectiveness, the dickens! Y 're jist like a good many other fool women Ye'allua want to be a runnin aroun gittin up petitions fer this and that and tother becase ye haint sense enough to stay to hum. Now if ye have got to gad around with a partition of som kind, why dont ye git all the women to Congriss or the President or som body else what has got the power. do it, to stop these here young fools what goes to them military and navacademys-from doin of that region is plum dangerous to send a bus to a them instituotions after he git piniment fer he aint no soon r thar till some fisty elicky young to what calls hisself a "upper class ma but what aint nothin but a bull --mejotly coffars the new feller and ou him and kicks him and rooks stand on his head till he faint so- ! and all tother ports of cumedo. this is did first because the law allo-

such, and the "upper class man" lo as how he is larning the toth : be "manly." If the rother of country wuz to git a slattment and a agin sich hit would purty noc ped, and if you and tother we put in yer time at line as of trein to git Reed Smoot S. Senate or tryin to

scription raised to git Alice Received. present, ye'd by better off," sty Je jist a walkin gackards and fords I;

wild man, he wuz that mad.
"Dont slame him nary hit, not no bit, and he's txackly right about ! hazin business and about Alice's prese t too, fe I kin tell ye them solders a: sailors that struts aroun in lace tein: med uniforms, fer the women to admire

"Lawsy massy, of here ain't Sist r em and does nothin cap's live offet Uncle Sam with us plain citizens payin their bills and yit them a think-in their selves bettern ordinary folks what don't belong to no army, they're flat a gittin a little too upplty any hor and they needs to be sot down on goo and hard, and if the women folks we to start out with sich a partition, I'd sign it plum quick, or if you women would git up a partition to the legisla ter or some body else what kin do it to git this here foot ball playin stopped would be a doin the country so good, fer hit is gitting to the pint wha a bod yis afeard to patronize either on of the government skules or any the universities and colleges in the hazed or beat and kicked to death in game of foot ball, and if a feller dor take no stock in sich hes called "slasy" by tother bully what does take wmin objick of a skule to larn foll some eddication, is done lost sight in larmin of em athletics and all sic Now if you women folks will take son stock in trying to git the skules an colleges and Government skules re formed so's hit wont be plum danger ous fer a feller to go that to git his self eddicated, and if ye'll let port Reid Smoot alone—fer likely as not he aint much more of a polygamist than some other folks what is in a repersentin the country in Washington-only they haint been diskivered yit-and so fur as I am consarned I'm plum willin fer a feller to be a Mormon, a Turk, a Catholic, or a Methodist in his religion -and I say agin if you women folks wants to do the country some real good, let Reid Smoot and Alice Roosvelt's presents alone and git to work at some thin that is demandin attention right now." said Jim as he arose and walked the floor.

"Law, Jim, us women has done made up our minds we're gon! to onseat Reed Now Sister Skinner, she wuz around tother day with one of them partitions to on-seat him, and she had got ever woman in the settlemint to sign the thing becase Sister Skinner lows as how Reid has got 5 wives and 29 childern, and you know if anything gits next to us women folks it is fer one man to have more than his sheer o wives, and I reckin ever woman in the U. S. will sign that partition to git Reid onseated when they hears about all them wives of his'n." declared Mrs Rainwater while Martha agreed with her that, "Hit is scanlous, plum scanlous, and he ort to be on seated.

"Yes, that's jist like a lot of fool wo men to rush up and sign any old partition on some other woman's say so without even investigatin the facts. Now if the women would sorter keep informed on this here question they would find out that Reid Smoot aint got approved July btu one wife and he aint never been 641), provides: accused of bein a polygamist, and he ohurch vows is stronger than his obligations to his country and he aint fitten heirs of any person whose name to sarve as a II S. senator on that account and not becase he is a polygamist, like these scatter brained women all over the country is a sayin becase they haint never tuk the trouble to find

griss at the proper time, and we'll larn Mr. Smoot that he—lawsy massy yan-der comes Sammy and Charley at a breakneck speed. Thar now. Sammy has done knocked Charley down he wuz retary of the Interior, the canthat afeared Charley would beat him a runnin. I do wonder what has happened. Likely as not them 3 triplets has fell in the fire and got burnt, Sister Tweekins is so keerless, said Mrs. Chickasaw nations unless con-Rainwater as the Tweekins twins now clusive evidence is presented to a rived with Sammy in the lead who brethlessly announced-

"Safrony's done anteloped! Safrony" done anteloped!" He was closely fol-lowed by Charley, who contradicted this statement with "She aint nuther. She applications for enrollment were jist run off and got married. You old blatherskite. ye never do tell nothin straight."

"Oh, I say she has anteloped Old Stick in the Mud, you haint sense enough to know marryin from antedeclared Sammy as he gave Charley a dig in the ribs with his elbow. "Well, here you kids, cut that out. Hit dont make no differ whuther she's anteloped or run off and got married. fer one is as had as tother, but who is the Sam Hill did she rope in this time? enquired Jim. while Martha walked the

floor excitedly, saying:
"The scanlous idee! The scanlous

"Well, I dont see nothin so scanlous about it, Morthly. Safrony is a grass widder and I clius tole ye grass widders gits married easier than young gals ar old maids." centured Mrs. Rainwater as she stood with arms akimbo and gazed abstractedly down the road.

'Well, I'll list be darned if that shore

aint the truth." said Jim.
"Well. me and Sammy has got to go back and puss them 3 tri klets whill maw goes over to tell Sister Jinkins Come on Sammy," said Charley as he and his brother started off on a brisk run for home, while Mrs. Rainwater, taking her bonnet started also, saying "Well. I reckin I'll be a goin on with this here partition to see what I kin do toards gittin pore Alice a weddin pres-

died at Salisbury, N. C., from an appendicitis operation

No Material Change

## **ABSTRACTORS**

Territorial Abstractors Association Organized at South McAlester.

South McAlester, Jan. 15 .-The abstractors of the Indian Territory met in this city Saturday, according to prearrangement, and proceeded to organize a Territorial Abstractors Association, the purpose of the association being to "promote the best system of abstracting available, and to make the abstract work of the Indian Territory as nearly uniform as possible."

The officers so far as elected are: J. D. Cox, Tahlequah, president; secretary, Miss S. A. Nesbit, Durant; treasurer, J. A. Mo-Naught, Ardmore; vice presidents and assistant secretaries: Creek Nation, J. M. Burgan, Muskogee; J. M. Searcy, Wagoner; Cherokee Nation, B P. Delaney, Salisaw; Mr. Denison, Claremore; Chickasaw Nation, W. S. Wolverton, Ardmore; J. R. Henshaw, Madill; Seminole Na. tion, E. Campbell, Wewoka; Chas. Haley, Holdenville; Chectaw Nation, E. A. Newman, Atoka; A. E. Jones, South Mc-

Department of the Interior, Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Notice of Cancellation of names of Persons who died prior to approved rolls of Choctaw and Chickasaw citizens, and freed-

Whereas, the persons hereinafter named have been enrolled by the commission to the Five civililized Tribes as citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw or Chi kasaw nation and their enrollment as such approved by the themselves as entirely exitsfied with th Secretary of the Interior, and

Whereas, Information has been secured in affidavit form, evidencing the death of said persons prior to September 25, 1902. (32 Stat., 641) and

Whereas, The act of congress approved July 1, 1902, (32 Stat.,

"That no allotment of land or is on said rolls and who died prior to the date of the final ratification of this agreement; therefore notice is hereby given to the they haint never tuk the trouble to find out anything and pintedly dont know what they're talkin about. Most women strains at a gnat and swallers a candle anyhow." declared Jim.

"Well, we're goin to on-seat him if partitions counts fer anything and we have done got a wagon load of partitions we're a lowin to spring on Consults at the proper lime and we'll lar! will, at the expration of sixty days from the date hereof, recommend to the Honorable Seccellation of the enrollment of said persons as citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and the effect that said persons were

> Age is given as of the year 1299, the time when most of the made:

living on September 25, 1902.

Choctaw Citizens.

Andrew Jackson, 60; Stewart Mitchell, 62: Eliza Frazier, 80; Sarah Folsom, 46; Mary Durant, 57; Gibson Fullomme, 45; Ephraim Nicholas, 15; Dennis Hobert, 14; Louie Crowder, 75.

Chickasaw Citizens.

Lina Kemp, 61; Lela Rose Camellia Inez Patton, born No vember 20, 1899; Janie Estelle Colbert, born in 1900.

Chickasaw Freedmen.

Ida Williams, 23.

As evidence of the fact that any of the persons hereinbefore named were living on Septem er 25, 1902, the Commissioner to the five civilized tribes will require the personal testimony of at least the country. two reliable witness s who have actual personal knowledge of such fact and who are in no manner interested in the estate of the decedent.

TAMS BIXBY,

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes. Muskogee, Indian Territory, De-

cember 12, 1905.

FRANTZ INAUGURATED.

Rough Rider Becomes the Chief Executive of Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Jan. 16.-In the presence of 20,000 persons Captain Frank Frantz was Monday inaugurated the seventh governor of Oklahoma. The new governor was introduced by retiring Gov. Ferguson, and made a brief inaugural address. The weather was ideal.

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Rough Riders, regular army officers, the Oklahoma National Guard and hundreds of members of the Spanish-American war War Veterans association, in addition to long lines of veterans who were the blue and the gray, participated, and made the day a memorable one, while twenty hands from orable one, while twenty bands from over the territory discoursed music

throughout the day.

The inaugural ceremonies took place on the Carnegie library steps. Following an invocation by Rev. K. C. Ventress, a classical of Governor Frantz. at Eureka college. Ill., the oath was administered by Chief Justice Frank Gillette, as Chief Justice Burford had been celled to Washington.

MORE RELATIONSHIP.

Interesting Facts In Connection With Couple of Weddings.

McKlaney, Tex., Jan. 16 .- A double vedding occurred in this city in which family relationiship complications are considerably in evidence. The con-tracting parties in the affair are James M. Shell and Miss Bessle Angel, Luther Angel and Miss Famile Shell. The interesting part of the affair is the fact that the father (J. H. Shell) of the groom in the first named couple and bride in the second named couple was married only about reaks ago to the mother (Mrs. Toby) of the bride in the first named couple and the groom in the second named

BULLET IN HEAD.

Aged Confederate Soldier Ends Existence With a Pistol.

San Antonio, Jan. 16.-With his head swathed in a blanket and using a book for a pillow to stop the bullet. Alfred Reaver, seventy-five years old, a Confederate soldier, and proprietor of a livery stable, was ofund in his room There was a bullet hole in his

Several years ago he was paralyzed. and suffered a great deal. In a note to Mrs. Jean Ducos, from whom he rented a room for the past fifteen years, he asked her forgiveners and explained September 25, 1902, from the that how sure another stroke of paralysis would leave him a blink and helpless imbecile.

BOTH CONFIDENT.

Members of New York Typothetre and "Bix Six" Sanguine of Success.

New York, Jan. 16 .- Both the mem bers of the Typothetre and the "I" S'x" Typographical union expressed conditions which prevail at the open-ing of the third week of the printers'

Thirty-six of the eighty Typothetae firms are standing together for the fifty-four-hour week and the open shop. In 275 book and job printing concerns the union's demand for a closed shop and the forty-eight hours' week has been accepted.

LIBERAL LANDSLIDE.

They and Laborites Gather in Nearly Every Parliamentary Seat.

London, Jan. 16 .- The Liberal landslide continues. Out of seventy-six contests Monday the Liberals and Laborites to gether secured forty-two The composition of the new parita-

ment up to the present is as follows: Liberals, 95: Unionists, 31: Laborites.

17: Nationalists, 18: Socialists, 15.
The total Liberal gains number sixtyfour, the gains made by the Laborites
being classed among the Liberals.

HEAD FOUND

Was in a Pasture, but Rest of Anatomy is Missing.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 16.-A Mexican reported to the sheriff the finding of a man's head in a pasture about twelv. miles from this city. Officers were sent out to investigate, but as yet no other portions of the body have been found.

Heart Trouble, Not Gas.

Sherman, Jan. 16.—Now that he has fully recovered. Alfred Geer, the young man who was found unconscious bathroom, says his well-nigh fatal ill-ness was from heart failure, and not from gas fumes, as was first thought, and reported as the probable cause.

McMann Passes Away. New Rochelle, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Com-modore William P. McMann, retired, died at his home here Monday. He was a native of Kentucky, and served on the gulf blocking squadron during the

Shot Himself to Death. Wadley, Ga., Jan. 16.-E. L. Hum-phrey, cashier of the Bank of Wadley, and superintendent of a Sunday school, shot himself to death. The bullet en-

tered the neck. Mr. Humphrey leaves widow and four children. The cause of his suicide is unknown. Will Support German Contention. London, Jan. 16.-American Ambas-

sador Write will support at the Moroccan conference the German contention, both as to the "open-door" policy in Morocco and as to an international commission to control the policing of

Still Larger.

Cleveland, Jan. 16 .- Additional to forgeries, discovered by the bankers committee, makes the total spurious ancurities put out by the late W. L. Pry-or amount to \$1,000,000.

Butter Bales. Elgin, Ill., Jan. 16.—During past weel butter sales were 440,000 pounds.

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DUE TO A DOG.

Russell Haynes Kills Arthur Whatley In a Quarrel About Canine.

Selma, Ala., Jan. 16 .- Body of Arthur Whatley was found in the road near Soapstone, this county, with two bullet holes in the groin. Later Russell Haynes admitted that he had killed Whatley. He said they had quarreled over a dog which Whatley had, and which Haynes claimed was his. Haynes demanded either the dog or some more in payment, and in the quarrel whi-ensued the fatal shots were fired.

EXTENSION OPPOSED.

Secretary Dorsey Addresses the Rail

road Commission on the Matter. Fort Worth, Jan. 16.-H. B. Dorsey secretary of the Texas Grain Dealers' association, has addressed the railroad commission on behalf of organization opposing extension of time for unload-ing of cars of over 49,000 pounds twenty-four hours. The opposition is alleged scarcity of equipment and injustice to dealers who have prepared for rapid handling by large expenditure.

TO EXAMINE BUFFALOES.

Denison. Jan. 16 .- O. R. J. Langston of Washington, a government employe was here en route to the Goodnight anch to examine the herd of buffaloes there. He will examine all herds in the United States. A heroic effort will be made to preserve the animals from extinction.

EVANGELISTS FINED.

Woman Dowleite Assessed Ten Dollars

and Gospei Crusader Five. San Antonio, Jan. 16 .- Mrs. McGee Hall a Dowielte, and Captain Cochran. a Gospel Crusader, appeared in the corporation court to answer charge of obstructing the streets. Mrs. Hall was fined \$10 and turned over to the police matron. Cochran was fined \$5.

Collins Chosen Manager,

Houston, Jan. 16 .- At a special meeting of the Texas Car Service association, at which most of the lines were represented, R. L. Collins, the secretary, was chosen manager, filling the vacancy caused by the recent death of Charles B. Peck. The salary is \$6,000. The secretary will be chosen later.

IMMENSE FIRE LOSS.

Great Quantity of Wheat and Flou Consumed by the Plames.

Clarksville, Tenn., Jan. 16.-The Dun lop Milling company plant was damaged by fire at an early hour this morning to the extent of \$250,000, with insurance of \$175,000. A warehouse containing 77,000 bushels of wheat and 5.500 barrels of flour was destroyed. A warr-house containing 50,000 bushels of wheat

Oklahoma Nominations.

Washington, Jan. 16,-The president sent the following nominations to the senate: Chief justice of the supren court of Oklahoma, John H. Burford of Oklahoma; associate justices of the supreme court of Oklahoma, Baynard T. Hayner and Benjamine F. Burwell.

Smoot's Bill Passes.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The senate bill reported by Mr. Smoot giving to home-steaders on recently opened Uintah resvation extension until May 15 to eatablish residences was passed.

Scott Solicitor.

Washington, Jan. 16.—James Brown Scott of California, professor of law at Coumbia university, New York, has be a appointed solicitor of the state de-partment to succeed Judge Penfield, TERRITORY FARMERS' UNION.

Permanent Organization to Be Perfected at South McAlester.

Ardmore, I. T., Jan. 15. - Permanent organization of the Farmrs' Union for Indian Territory will be perfected at South McAlest-r March 17. Recently Indian Territory organization withdrew from the Okiahoma body because of differences in matters of policy, it is alleged.

A Guthrie woman, Mrs. Mc-Cathran, wants a divorce because her husband made her chop the wood. Give it to her.

Forrest H. Johnson, formerly with Waples-Platter Grocer Co. R. J. Langeton Goes to Goodnight Ranch of Fort Worth, Texas, has assoclated himself with the B. S. Johnson Land Co., where he will be glad to meet his friends, 128-2t

> Marshal Colbert recently seized 711 live quail which were being shipped out of the Chickasaw nation and now has been sued for damages.

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